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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE, EXAMINING GROUP 2881

PATENT

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APPLICANTS:

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INSPECTION METHOD, APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR

**CIRCUIT PATTERN** 

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## **AMENDMENT**

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of May 30, 2002, the period for response having been extended herein to December 2, 2002 (November 30<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday) by payment of the requisite fee of \$920.00 for a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants respectfully request that the following amendment be entered to place this application in condition for allow ance or better form for appeal.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend the claims 2, 3 and 4 as indicated below:

2. (Amended) An inspection apparatus for a circuit pattern, comprising:

